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# A small task goes a long way

**Editor's Note:** Sergeant Major Ralph Guerrero, station sergeant major, responds to the letter from Joan Walsky, A CEO in the Washington, D.C. area. The letter appeared in the Opinion/Editorial section of the Oct. 8 edition of the Torii Teller.

Seems so petty (just washing a car), but an example of making an everlasting impression without even realizing it. Marines! A CEO is no small entrepreneur in the business world. The Marines at this car wash made not themselves but the institution — our Marine Corps, a lot of money on that day and I don't mean cash money. I mean we have gained the respect and admiration of not only Mrs. and Mr. Walsky, but through her and her husband many others once this experience gets filtered

about in her arena, and believe me it will.

Because we are Marines and continue to uphold the customs and courtesies and traditions that we do, the public eye sees us as such. Having spent 2 1-2 years at HQMC and been a boardmember to many organizations, I learned that such a small influence gets spread and goes a very long way.

I've heard such conversations at board meetings, Senate and House functions, Board of Directors meetings for the USO when most everyone there was a president or CEO of companies. My point is that being a Marine and doing even the hardest, dirtiest or worst job around with pride will carry us for another 224 years with ease. A small task will go a long way.

## Returned ring brings joy to owner

Dear Editor,

I would like to thank a Marine who showed a great act of kindness. He proved to me that there are still good people in our society today who have integrity.

This past Saturday, I volunteered to work at the MCCS/PTO Fall Bazaar. While at the bazaar I noticed I had lost my wedding ring. My husband and son searched for an hour in hopes of finding my ring. To my despair, they had no luck. There were several people at the bazaar I notified I had lost my ring. I left my name and telephone number with the Information Desk personnel. I would also like to thank the ladies at the

desk that morning (I apologize I do not have names). The ladies got the word out that I had lost my ring and several patrons at the bazaar had their eyes opened for me. My family just moved to Iwakuni in August. I was not sure what kind of response I was going to get because not too many people know us, but I was keeping my fingers crossed.

I went home that afternoon with my broken heart. I could not believe I had lost my wedding rings. My husband and I have been married for more than 10 years and my rings meant the world to me. My wedding rings are a small piece of my husband I carry with me at all times.

I received a call later that after-

noon from Kathy Nuzum stating someone had found a ring at the bazaar and had turned it into PMO. An officer from PMO got on the telephone, she asked me to describe the ring. I was so excited and emotional I am sure the officer did not understand a word I was saying. The next thing I knew the officer was standing in front of me at the TLF (Temporary Lodging Facility) and I had my ring back on my finger. I asked her if she knew the name of the person who found the ring because I wanted to thank them from the bottom on my heart. PMO got the name and telephoned me. The person who found the ring was a Marine named Matthew Kell. I called and thanked Matthew and asked if there was anything I could do to

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### Our Cover

**Corey Algood, M.C. Perry kindergarten teacher, line dances with students from the station Oct. 10 during a cultural fun day at the Kawashimo Yochen. (photo by LCpl. Kurt Fredrickson)**

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## News Briefs

### Heating season

The air conditioning season on the air station ended Tuesday. However, because of the unseasonal humid weather, air conditioners will remain on until the heat wave passes. Heating season will start when the outside temperature reaches a low of 50 F for five consecutive days. During the heating season, steam will not be provided when the temperature is 55 F or above.

### Bicycle regulations

Station residents are reminded that bicycle helmets are required at all times when bicycling aboard the air station. Also, bicycle lights are mandated after dark.

### Vehicle Ownership

The total number of privately-owned registered motor vehicles per U.S. Armed Forces Japan registrant is limited to one passenger vehicle and one motorcycle per licensed USFJ family member. Exceptions to these restrictions can be requested through PMO. For more information, call 253-3161.

### Headgear

Servicemembers are prohibited from wearing civilian headgear indoors. According to MCASO 1020.1Y, wearing civilian articles not specifically designed to be worn as headgear, such as bandannas, is also prohibited.

### Daylight Saving Time

Effective Oct. 24 at 2 a.m. Daylight Savings time will end in the United States. Because there is no such system in Japan, the time difference between here and the United States will be an hour more.

# NCIS, CID make plans to merge

by Cpl. Ryan Bradburn  
Torii Teller Staff

Plans are in the making to restructure the Marine Corps' Criminal Investigation Division, giving more Marines a chance to work in conjunction with the Naval Criminal Investigative Service.

The idea is about a year-and-a-half old and was initiated by the Marine Corps, according to Mike Donnelly, supervisory special agent for NCIS Resident Agency Iwakuni Japan. Though the memorandum of understanding has yet to be signed, steps are already being taken to prepare for the change over, he said.

Currently, the Marine Corps supplies almost 40 special agents for NCIS, according to Donnelly. They

are transferred to the agency on a term-by-term basis. Working for NCIS gives Marines a chance to sharpen their skills on cases outside the realm of CID.

Under the new plan, the Corps will cut career-length orders for more than 90 Marines to join NCIS. They will only be given a chance to work with the agency after ascending to an investigator position and undergoing a detailed screening.

Donnelly is ready to welcome Marines to his team, after seeing the work ethic within the field.

"We federal agents can't help but consider ourselves the cream of the crop of law enforcement so there's a certain arrogance," he said. "I've

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## Residents gather for Town Hall meeting

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The air station held its third quarterly Town Hall meeting Oct. 5 at the M.C Perry Elementary School gym. The meeting, according to air



photo by SSgt. Lawrence Torres II

**LtCol. Larry Alexander, MCCS director, addresses an issue at the Town Hall meeting Oct. 5.**

station officials, gave Iwakuni residents the opportunity to hear in person about some of the current issues affecting them here and also allows residents to voice items of concern to them.

The meeting began with opening remarks from Col. Richard Dunn, station commanding officer, followed by a recap of the last Town Hall meeting held in June.

Station officials and subject matter experts addressed issues brought up by attendees. Topics included teenagers attending R-rated movies and being disruptive in the theater, the hours of operation for the station Photo Shop and the new rules for school lunch tickets.

Representatives from all station departments as well as the Branch Medical Clinic, Dental Clinic and M.C. Perry Schools were on hand to answer resident's concerns.

"This meeting was very upbeat and positive. Our residents have a lot of good ideas, and these meetings are a good chance to share them," said Maj. Tim Keefe, public affairs officer.

# ***DoD, services, determined to keep personnel files, actions safe from Y2K***

by Paul Stone

American Forces Press Service

**Editor's Note:** *Each week until the end of the year, the Torii Teller will feature a Y2K column highlighting a particular Y2K topic or issue.*

**WASHINGTON, D.C.** — If you've been wondering whether the Year 2000 computer problem could suddenly erase your very existence as a servicemember at the stroke of midnight on Dec. 31, then worry no more.

Department of Defense officials say the services are making steady and strong progress in fixing computer systems that manage and store personnel files. Indeed, the Marine Corps and the Air Force personnel files systems are already Y2K-compliant, according to Norma St. Claire, director of Joint Requirements and Integration for the Office of the Undersecretary of Personnel and Readiness.

That's good news, because every personnel action processed on you is stored in those files. From enlistment papers to promotion orders, from training records to awards, from reenlistment to changes of duty station — it's all there.

"The Marine Corps and Air Force systems have been tested, fielded, verified as Y2K-compliant and are working today," St. Claire said. "The Navy and Army are making steady progress and are expected to have all their systems ready by the end of September. They both have ambitious and aggressive fielding schedules for updating

software and replacing existing systems that cannot be fixed."

The Year 2000 problem, nicknamed "Y2K," refers to the past computer industry practice of writing years with just two digits — 1999 would be "99." Because of this digital shorthand, some computer systems on Jan. 1, 2000, might treat "00" as "1900" or just shut down all together. Almost any computer system may be vulnerable and needs to be checked and then, if necessary, fixed to handle the year change or replaced. A computer system that recognizes the year 2000 date and processes data correctly is called "compliant."

In addition to fixing current systems, the services all have back-up data should any unexpected Y2K glitches occur, according to Mike Monteleone, St. Claire's information technology chief and Y2K manager.

"All the services regularly and routinely back-up their data on off-line storage systems," Monteleone said. "This is done not just because of Y2K, but for any number of problems that could occur, such as electrical outages from storms that may corrupt or delete existing files." An example of "off-line" storage is copying all the files in a system onto a CD-ROM. That way, in case parts of, or an entire system should fail, the files can still be retrieved and reinstalled.

While both St. Claire and Monteleone are confident all services will have their personnel systems ready for the Year 2000, what remains uncertain at this point is

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photo by LCpl. Kurt Fredrickson

## **MARFORPAC Chaplain**

**Capt. E.T. Gomulka, Marine Forces Pacific chaplain, talks with Lt. Cmdr. Joe Ceriello, MCAS command chaplain during a meeting with the station chaplains Oct. 7.**

**Iwakuni was just one stop for the chaplain who visited all commands, camps and bases on Okinawa Japan, wing commands here and Camp Fuji. This was the chaplain's first visit here as the Marine Forces Pacific Chaplain.**

# Birth of United States Navy

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On Oct. 13, 1775, the British North American colonies, from Maine to Georgia, were in open rebellion. In colonial capitals, Royal governments had been thrust out and revolutionary governments put in their places. A British army occupied Boston, besieged by an American army under George Washington. Another American army, under Richard Montgomery, was besieging Fort St. John's on its way to attempt to capture Quebec and Montreal, while Benedict Arnold led a force through the wilderness farther east against the same targets.

On that same day there was a meeting in Philadelphia. The Continental Congress adopted the original legislation out of which the Continental Navy grew: "Resolved, That a swift sailing vessel, to carry ten carriage guns, and a proportionable number of swivels, with 80 men, be fitted, with all possible dispatch for a cruise of three months, and that the commander be instructed to cruise eastward, for intercepting such transports as may be laden with warlike stores and other supplies for our enemies, and for such other purposes as the Congress shall direct ... Resolved, that another vessel be fitted out for the same purposes ..." This prosaic language



photo by Cpl. Ryan Bradburn

**SSgt. William Robinson, bachelor quarters supply chief, serves some lobster and steak Wednesday at the Southside Messhall. The meal was in celebration of the Navy's birthday.**

constitutes the Navy's birth certificate.

Within a few days of that vote, Congress established a Naval Committee, which directed the purchasing, outfitting, manning, and operations of the first ships of the new navy, drafted naval legislation, and prepared rules and regulations to govern the navy's conduct and internal administration.

From that beginning, the Continental Navy grew to a force that at its peak numbered 40 armed vessels of various types. During the war, the navy's squadron's and cruisers seized enemy supplies and carried

correspondence and diplomats to Europe, returning with needed munitions. They took nearly two hundred British vessels as prizes, some off the British Isles themselves, contributing to the demoralization of the enemy and forcing the British to divert warships to protect convoys and trade routes. And the navy provoked diplomatic crises that helped bring France into the war against Great Britain.

"Success has a thousand fathers, but failure is an orphan." There are several candidates for the title "father

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# Air station hosts chartered flight

## Iwakuni residents bound for Hawaii board air station for flight

by LCpl. Jessica Simonson  
Torii Teller Staff

Months of planning and the cooperation of many different agencies allowed 308 Iwakuni residents to board a Japanese Airline B-747 plane Oct. 1 headed for Hawaii.

The flight, which promotes goodwill between the air station residents and Iwakuni residents, was chartered by the Iwakuni Chamber of Commerce and Industry to leave and arrive from the air station.

According to station officials, this flight is the third to leave the air station.

"It was very well planned out," said Kevin Walsh, Air Transportation Division manager. "Once the flight was approved, meetings started with three different teams, JAL, Japan Travel Bureau and the Chamber of Commerce. They met with Base Ops, PAO, Base Legal, PMO and Air Terminal personnel."

To get the passengers safely boarded, 15 military policeman and two Japanese interpreters were needed to ensure things went smoothly.

The first step was getting these off-station residents onto the station. Chartered buses brought the passengers and their luggage through the Main Gate. Military policeman ensured only passengers of the flight were aboard the buses.

"They checked each person against their passport and the flight manifest to make sure they were cleared

to go on the flight," said GySgt. Richard Holman, Provost Marshal operations chief.

"We had several people on the buses to make sure there weren't any stops before the gate.

"The reason why we were so involved is that the air station is in threat-con alpha. Our job was not to hamper the trip but to ensure safety. Although the threat is low, you never know the window of opportunity for terrorists — we take it very seriously."

From there, passengers were brought to the terminal, where military policemen provided security as passengers awaited their flight.

"We wanted to put our best foot forward in a security sense," Holman said. "We set up perimeter security so everyone stayed where they were supposed to be."

The passengers were directed into the terminal and through the security measures, the metal detector and bag

scanner.

"We just stood back and let them (JAL staff) do their thing," said Walsh.

Every seat in the terminal was full as the passengers waited to board the plane visible on the flightline behind the glass doors. Japanese media buzzed around as they tried to catch the flight's VIPs on film.

After a presentation of flowers to Col. Richard Dunn, air station commanding officer, and representatives from the airline, boarding of the plane began.

Once all passengers were on board, the plane was given the go ahead to taxi to its takeoff runway. Media and well wishers waited near the flightline to say goodbye.

"Everything went extremely smooth," said Holman.

"There were no unexpected problems," said Walsh. "There were a couple of very minor delays. Other than that, it went like clockwork."



photo by ???

**Japanese Air Lines representatives and Col. Richard Dunn, air station commanding officer, receives flowers Oct. 1 at the Air Mobility Command Terminal. Air station officials and JAL personnel were recognized for making the charter flight possible. This is the third chartered flight to leave the air station.**

# Taking leave in conjunction with official travel ... know rules

by GySgt. Roy Childers

SNCOIC Passenger Control Point

Personnel traveling on Temporary Additional Duty orders may be authorized leave in conjunction with their official travel. However, as mandated by the Joint Federal Travel Regulations, all Department of Defense employees are required to arrange official travel through a contracted Commercial Ticketing Office through the Traffic Management Division, Passenger Control Point.

If the traveler desires to incorporate leave with official travel, they are required to do so through the PCP to ensure maximum use of commercially contracted Air Mobility Command Category B missions — the Patriot Express, and the Government Services Agency City Pair Program.

Travelers procuring the official travel portion of the TAD is in direct violation of the JFTR and will result in nonreimbursement of official travel.

AMC contracted airlift and the GSA City Pair Program supports the Civil Reserve Air Fleet and is designed to augment DoD organic airlift during national crisis or deployment of U.S. Forces for contingency or war.

The GSA City Pair Program also provides DoD travelers competitively priced, unrestricted airfares and saves the DoD approximately 4 billion dollars annually. Failure to maximize use of these programs will result in their loss.

Upon notification of a TAD trip, the traveler should contact the PCP as soon as possible to ensure both low

airfare use and flight availability. Once official travel reservations are completed, the traveler can review options for the leisure portion of their trip with the CTO – SatoTravel.

The following are options to consider:

- Purchase a round-trip ticket from the TAD site to the leave site.
- Purchase a round-trip ticket from any scheduled stop

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**GySgt. Roy Childers**

on the TAD route to the leave site.

- Purchase a round-trip ticket from the CONUS port of entry, normally Los Angeles International Airport, to the leave site.

The traveler may also trade the government-issued ticket for a route that includes the leave site. Tickets issued at the passengers' request with destinations other than those directly related to and authorized in their official orders will be compared to a normal economy unrestricted airfare.

This option usually creates the highest excess cost to the traveler.

For more information regarding this or other travel and transportation matters call PCP at 253-6366/3986.



## Filipino-American

**SSgt. Lee Adams (right) of the Filipino-American Association, presents Sgt. Anthony Forbes, Identification Card Processing Center noncommissioned officer-in-charge, and his wife Jennifer and children (left to right) Alysia, 6, Anna, 7, A.J., 3, and Ashleigh, 8, with the keys to a 1994 Mazda Familia. The car was donated to the society by Mariko Naseer of Car World. The Forbes' family was chosen because they were in need of a vehicle.**

photo by LCpl. Jessica Simonson

# L.I.N.K.S. graduates ready to help

by Cpl. Ryan Bradburn  
Torii Teller Staff

Thirteen servicemembers' spouses became Lifestyle Insights Networking Knowledge and Skills mentors when they graduated from a 10-and-a-half hour course here recently.

The graduates join seven other L.I.N.K.S. mentors aboard the station in a mission to educate and assist military spouses.

"L.I.N.K.S. was created for spouses and civilians who work aboard bases and are unfamiliar with the Marine Corps," said Sylwia Pleak, L.I.N.K.S. team leader.

Every six-to-eight weeks, graduates of the L.I.N.K.S. mentor course conduct a 12-hour session to indoctrinate spouses in the military lifestyle, Navy and Marine Corps customs, and station resources. It's also a chance for spouses to get together and discuss the difficulties they are faced with.

"We sit in there and we laugh and we cry," said Pleak. "It makes us even prouder of what our husbands do every day."

What's more, spouses also get resources to help them thrive in a military environment.

"Not only do they leave with lots of information on paper — lots of concrete phone numbers — they leave with new friends," said Brenda Sajewski, L.I.N.K.S. momma mentor — a title given to an experienced mentor aboard every installation.

Throughout the sessions, mentors foster a laid back atmosphere, enjoying refreshments as they recline on sofas and converse. With childcare provided, there is little to distract from the casual atmosphere, according to Pleak.

"Basically, L.I.N.K.S. is a class, but in a casual style," she said.

To encourage more freedom in sharing, spouses consider themselves equal with each other, despite the span of their sponsors' authority.

"Spouses don't wear rank," said Sajewski.

Pleak, grateful for what L.I.N.K.S. has done for her, is glad to be there for other spouses, she said.

"I took the session a year ago and loved it. I wish it had been there when I got married," she said. "Even on a base in the States, it feels like you're in a foreign land where there are foreign customs and they speak a foreign language."

"We give new spouses a crash course as to what to expect."

Even spouses who have been around the military can benefit from a session. A change of station brings about changes in resources, according to Pleak.

Another feature L.I.N.K.S. plans to add soon are sessions for newly-wed Japanese spouses in their own language, said Sajewski.

Programs that keep spouses informed fit into the mission of the Marine Corps by improving troop welfare, according to Pleak.

"If things are well at home, a Marine can better perform tasks on deployment," she said.

With support from the station commanding officer all the way up to Headquarters Marine Corps, L.I.N.K.S. is a successful program, according to Sajewski.

"It's a wonderful program," she said. "No one has ever regretted coming."

For more information on L.I.N.K.S. or to get involved, call Sylwia Pleak at 253-3668.



photo by Cpl. Ryan Bradburn

## Combined Federal Campaign

**Col. Richard Dunn, air station commanding officer, endorses the Combined Federal Campaign by being the first person to hand his allotment slip over to CWO-3 David Stephens, Information Systems Management Officer and CFC Community Area Project Officer.**

**Servicemembers and federal employees stationed overseas have the opportunity to contribute to their Family Support and Youth Activity Programs through CFC this year. This options ensures donations will come back into the community.**

**To contribute, contact your unit representative. A list can be accessed by any local government computer at <http://intranet.iwz.usmc.mil/>.**



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return the act of kindness. To my surprise Matthew did not think he had done anything special. In his mind, he was just returning something he had found.

Well Matthew, I beg to differ. Matthew returned a gift to me that in my mind could not have been replaced. I think he is an outstanding Marine who showed great integrity

and is a mentor for others to follow. It is Marines like Matthew that makes me proud to be part of the Marine Corps family for more than 10 years. I will remember the name Matthew Kell for a long time. Thank you Matthew.

Sincerely,

/s/ Melinda M. Pena

Mrs. Pena,

Thank you for your letter. Too often we only hear of the bad deeds that the Marines and Sailors here perform.

Kudos to you Cpl. Matthew Kell. It's moments like these that make me proud to be one of the world's finest and makes my chest puff out with pride.

/s/ Editor

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been fortunate to have worked a great deal with Marine Corps CID so I know the caliber of people. Certainly, we have some that don't work out, but the vast majority are outstanding."

Many Marines involved in CID are somewhat anxious about the transition, according to Maj. John Kratzert, station provost marshal. Some feel the pay will not compensate for the work they do and some just don't want to give up working around Marines everyday.

"Instead of transitioning to NCIS, many Marines are opting to end their service," Kratzert said. "A lot just want to be Marines. Some see that they'll be doing all the same work as their civilian counterparts, but won't be getting paid the same amount."

Though no investigators have actually left the service yet, the transition to NCIS isn't a popular move, according to Kratzert. Those who stay in the Marine Corps and are not selected to go into NCIS will become Military

Police Investigators. They won't receive as much initial training as current CID investigators, but will rely more on their unit to educate them.

Still, there is a bright side for those who become involved in the program, according to Kratzert.

"They get training and get to be a federal law enforcement officer without having to complete the regular requirements," he said.

"It's a good news story for the Marine Corps in that it's a reduction of a duplication of efforts," said Donnelly.

Also, station residents can expect to see a larger NCISRA here. With the change over, Donnelly expects to gain two more investigators, which will free up some of his more highly-trained agents to work on more specialized cases.

Still, the next few months and years look to be rough, according to Donnelly, but after time the program will run smoothly.

"In the end, it will be a smooth-running program," he said.

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processing of personnel actions late into the year. Both DoD and the services are considering either accelerating or delaying certain personnel actions beginning in December.

Among those that could be included are re-enlistments and extensions, awards, separations, retirements and discharges, promotions, training, transfers and nonessential travel.

"DoD and the services are considering it, but no decisions have been made at this time," St. Claire emphasized. "There's no easy answer to this one. It's just something we're going to have to monitor throughout the year."

St. Claire said DoD is considering such action to try to reduce the paperwork and stress on the entire system, since personnel actions often

require actions by a host of other agencies. For example, promotions automatically prompt pay changes, and the Defense Finance and Accounting Service has already recommended minimizing pay changes in the month of December.

"So we have to keep in mind that our actions are not just affecting our systems," St. Claire said. "It's not that we don't believe the systems will work, it's just that personnel systems interact with so many others, the less stress we put on all of them at the end of the year the better."

There are also factors beyond the control of the services, Monteleone said. "If power failures occur because of Y2K, regardless of whether your system works, without electricity, you'll have to process personnel actions manually, and that will just slow things down." The good news, he added, is that personnel actions normally slow down in December

anyway.

"Usually a large portion of personnel are off during the holidays and incoming transactions are substantially less," he said. "It's not like the first week of June, when you've got many people changing duty stations."

Monteleone said the personnel actions at greatest risk are those occurring in the final days of 1999 that might not yet have been stored on back-up systems. "But even with those, there is a paper copy and the information can be recreated in the systems, he said.

The bottom line, St. Claire said, "is that I think we're going to be in good shape. I have every reason to believe all our systems will be compatible and ready."

Y2K or not, however, St. Claire said it's important for service-members to maintain copies of important documents in their files.

# Samurai spirit

*M.C. Perry students  
spend a week cel-  
ebrating homecoming*

by LCpl. Kurt Fredrickson  
Torii Teller Staff

For more than 10 years the Samurai at M.C. Perry have had the tradition of spirit week where students mustered their creativity to show their enthusiasm and hopefully win the title of most spirited class.

Students could take part in a different theme every day from Oct. 4-8 to show their school spirit. The week began with "Hawaiian day," followed by "blast from the past day," "pajamas day," "western day" and then "twin day."

"We really try to give them the same kind of experiences they would get in the States," said Sandra DiQuinzio, M.C. Perry High School principal. "It helps give them an identity."

At the end of the week students had a pep rally in the high school. Classes competed against each other to see who had the most spirit and cheerleaders called out the names of the Samurai players. The competition was simple. Whichever class made the most noise and showed the most enthusiasm won the spirit stick. In the end the seventh grade was the loudest and showed the most school spirit.

"It was close because the eighth grade did a really great banner," said DiQuinzio.

Students made their way to Penny Lake Field for a bonfire and more class competitions before the homecoming game against Sotoku Sunday. Students yelled through the windows of cars and buses that were covered with banners and balloons.

The night started with a tug-of-war competition then a football-kicking contest. The band played and the crowd cheered as the bonfire burned.



photo by LCpl. Kurt Fredrickson

**The Junior class battles against the senior class during a tug-of-war Oct. 9 at Penny Lake Field during one of the many events of spirit week.**

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of the Navy," and half a dozen places claim the sobriquet "birthplace of the Navy." Machias, Maine, points to the seizing of the Royal Navy schooner *Margaretta* by a small sloop armed with woodsmen on June 12, 1775. Whitehall, N.Y., proudly affirms the army's fleet on Lake Champlain under Benedict Arnold as our first navy. Beverly and Marblehead, Mass., base their claim on their role in fitting out and manning the small fleet of schooners employed by George Washington in the autumn

and winter of 1775 to prey on enemy transports. Providence, R.I., asserts its title as the site of the first call for the establishment of a navy.

While these and other towns contributed to the commencement of naval operations in the American Revolution, perhaps the best claim for birthplace of the Navy belongs to Philadelphia, in a logical corollary to recognizing Oct. 13, 1775, as its birth date. It was in Philadelphia that the Continental Congress passed the first national naval legislation, and Philadelphia was the port where the purchase and outfit-

ting of the first four vessels of the Continental Navy took place.

Candidates for the title "father of the Navy" include George Washington, Continental Navy officers Esek Hopkins, John Barry, and John Paul Jones, as well as civilians John Adams, Benjamin Franklin, Robert Morris, Joseph Hewes and Silas Deane. Many men in numerous locations played prominent roles in the founding of our national navy. And so, the Navy recognizes no one individual as "father," to the exclusion of others.





photo by Cpl. Michael Wiener

***With the help of the offensive line, Chad Groomes breaks through the Sotoku defense for an easy six points. The Samurai defeated the Fighting Ducks 18-6, Sunday in their homecoming game.***

# Samurai defeat Sotoku, 18-6

**by Cpl. Michael Wiener**  
**Torii Teller Staff**

The 1999 M.C. Perry Samurai homecoming football game turned into the Chad Groomes show Sunday at the Main Parade Field.

With both a rushing and receiving touchdown, and 106 all-purpose yards, Groomes led his team to a near-shutout.

His longest touchdown came late in the second quarter on a short pass play that turned into a 41-yard scamper to the goal line.

"It's a new play," Groomes said. "I went out, sat and waited for the ball. I had two linemen in front of me for blockers, so I followed them.

"Then I saw the corner come over, and I thought he was going to tackle me. But he just froze," said Groomes.

Groomes returned a kick late in

the game for a touchdown, but the play was called back on a clipping call.

Mike Adams missed both points after tries on the touchdowns, but atoned for his sins with field goals of 23 and 26 yards. Adams also took a pass for a 39-yard gain. Justin McCloskey, however, had the longest catch of the day with a 59-yard reception.

Despite the offensive attack on the Fighting Ducks, it was the Samurai defense credited with the win.

"Our defense stuck in there and held them," Groomes said. "Their offense came out hard, but our defense stopped them."

The Ducks were held to 170 overall yards and had a negative seven passing yards.

"This game was not as challenging as we had thought it would be," Samurai coach Richard Elliott told

his players following the victory. "We could have played better in many aspects."

The Samurai take the home field again Sunday to play Misawa's Edgren High, a game in which Elliott says his players will have to "rise to the occasion."

"We're going to work on the things we do best," Elliott. "Because we're thousands of miles away from each other, we don't know that much about each other. We're going to work on a balanced attack against them."

The victory over Sotoku increases Groomes' totals to 540 yards and 10 touchdowns this year.

Dustin Elliott, Samarai quarterback padded his stats as well. His six for 14, 163-yard and one touchdown performance upped his numbers to 20 for 54, 406 yards and six touchdowns for the year.

# Golf pro to come to Iwakuni

by John Robbins  
Torii Pines manager

The MCAS Iwakuni community is in for a treat Oct. 30-31 when King of the Golf Trick Paul Hahn Jr. visits the Torii Pines Golf Driving Range in celebration of the grand opening of Club Iwakuni.

This professional golfer and Life Member of the PGA of America, will entertain golfers and non-golfers, as he pulls out an assortment of goofy golf clubs and intersperses shots with a series of one liners.

As part of the overall presentation, Hahn will conduct an educational clinic for those who presently enjoy the sport, as well as for those interested in learning golf. Hahn urges fans to practice to improve their skills and will offer principles that will help their game. His distance off the tee will have the audience gasping, for he is one of the long hitters of the game.

Hahn will also conduct a clinic geared for the junior golfer, with the entire family being invited to attend.

Hahn's stunts includes using golf tees up to three feet in height, standing on sports stick to hit the tallest tee, hitting golf balls through lines of trees, hitting golf balls graduated in height from six to 12 inches all while maintaining the same rapid fire pace as he swings.

He has an unusual driver with a rubber garden hose attached to the shaft. With this club, he hits the ball down the fairway over 200

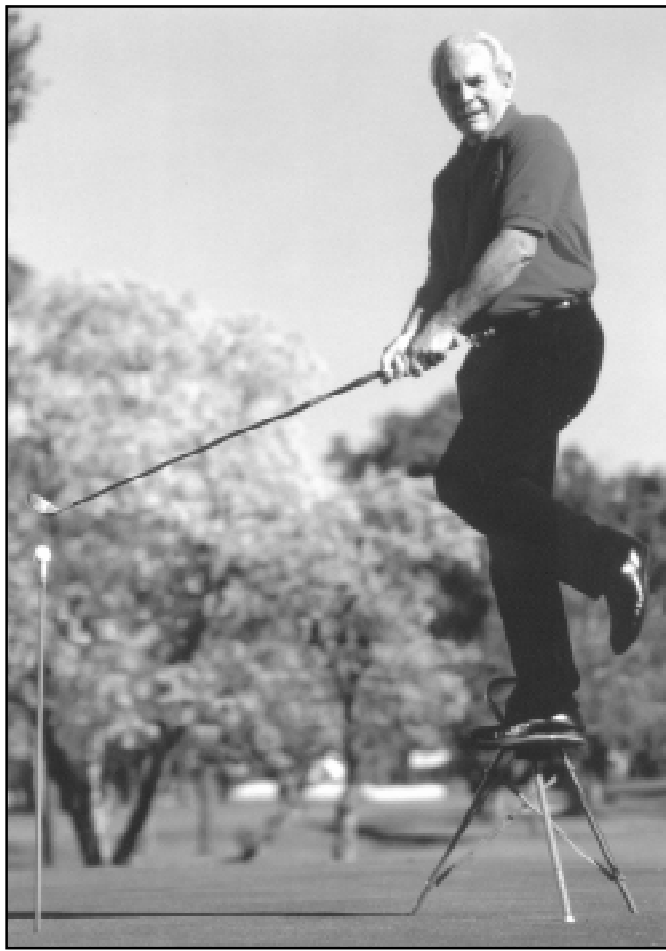


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**Golf pro, Paul Hahn, performs many of his famous trick shots. Hahn will perform at the Torii Pines Golf Course here Oct. 30 to celebrate the grand opening of Club Iwakuni.**

yards. With a driver 74 inches long (the usual length of a drive is 43 inches), he pounds out 250-yard drives with machine-like consistency.

Camera fans may bring their video and shutter boxes and have a fun time while watching from the bleachers or sitting in lawn chairs.

The events are:

**Trick Shot Exhibition and Golf Clinic**, Oct. 30 at 3 p.m.

**Junior Golf Clinic**, Oct. 31 at 3 p.m.

Following the exhibition there will be two drawings for a complete set of Ram Irons and a set of Ram Woods.

There will also be drawings during and after the clinic for a set of Ram junior golf clubs and junior golf hats.

For details call 253-3402.

## Sports Briefs

### Golf Championship

The 1999 MCAS Iwakuni Golf Championship will be held at Torii Pines Golf Course Oct. 23 -24 and 30-31, 8 a.m. Participants must register by Oct. 20, 9 a.m. For details call 253-3402.

### Golf Course Moves

Torii Pines Golf Course pro shop and club house will move to Club Iwakuni Oct. 28 - 29. The golf course will be open for play without pro shop or locker services on Oct. 28 - 29, 8 a.m. until sunset. Play is open to MCAS Iwakuni golfers **only** on these days (no guests) and is free. For details call 253-3402.

### MCCS Marina

The marina has closed for the season and will reopen in spring 2000.

### Nutrition Class

Health Promotions will hold a nutrition for fitness class Oct. 23, at the Main Gym. Register by Oct. 18. For details call 253-5051.

### MCAS Half Marathon

Health Promotions will hold a 20k half marathon Oct. 30, 9 a.m. from the Main Gym. Register by 4:30 p.m. on Oct. 28. There is a fee. SOFA, JMSDF personnel and their familymembers, and MLC and IHA employees age 16 and older may register. Late registrations will not be accepted. Call 253-6359 for more information.

### Body Building

Registration is underway for the Western Japan Body Building Championships, to be held at the Sakura Theater on Nov. 21. There is a fee.



**Friday**

9:00 Sesame Street  
 10:00 Blues Clues  
 10:30 Kiana's Flex Appeal  
 11:00 The Oprah Winfrey Show  
 12:00 NBC Nightly News  
 12:30 Wheel of Fortune (TV-G)  
 1:00 Port Charles (TV-14)  
 1:25 Guiding Light (TV-14)  
 2:15 General Hospital (TV-14)  
 3:05 Sylvester and Tweety Mysteries  
 3:30 Jack Hanna's Animal Adventures  
 4:00 Xena: Warrior Princess  
 5:00 Jeopardy! (TV-G)  
 5:30 Headline News  
 6:00 Pacific Report  
 6:33 CNN/SI  
 7:00 AFN Special  
 Hispanic Heritage Awards, 1999  
 8:00 Star Trek: Voyager (TV-PG)  
 9:00 X-Files (TV-14)  
 10:00 Pacific Report  
 10:35 Tonight Show w/Leno  
 11:35 Late Show w/Letterman

**Saturday**

0:35 ESPN News  
 1:05 Movies 'til Dawn  
 They Were Expendable (TV-PG)  
 3:40 Movies 'til Dawn  
 Going Hollywood:  
 The War Years (TV-PG)  
 5:00 Today Show  
 7:00 Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood  
 7:30 Arthur (TV-Y)  
 8:00 Disney's 101 Dalmatians  
 8:30 Disney's Aladdin  
 9:00 The Wild Thornberries (TV-Y)  
 9:30 Goosebumps (TV-Y7)  
 10:00 Discover Magazine  
 11:00 Hometown (TV-PG)  
 11:30 California's Gold  
 12:00 NBC Nightly News  
 12:30 Navy/Marine Corps News  
 1:00 NASCAE Craftsman Trucks (ESPN)  
 3:00 NFL Blast (NFLI)  
 3:30 Inside the Sr. PGA Tour (ESPN)  
 4:00 WWF Superstars (TV-14)  
 5:00 Soul Train  
 6:00 Headline News  
 6:30 ESPN News  
 7:00 Beverly Hills, 90210 (TV-14)  
 8:00 Melrose Place (TV-14)  
 9:00 20/20 Friday  
 10:00 Headline News  
 10:30 ESPN News  
 11:00 Saturday Night Live (TV-14)

**Sunday**

12:30 Videolink  
 1:00 AFN Special  
 Summer Slam '99  
 4:00 Entertainers  
 5:00 Headline News  
 5:30 Hours of Power  
 6:00 Cafe Video

6:30 West Angeles Church of  
 God in Christ  
 7:00 Icons: Windows Onto Heaven  
 7:30 Day of Discovery  
 8:00 Bear in the Big Blue House (TV-Y)  
 8:30 Reading Rainbow  
 9:00 Wild America Specials (TV-PG)  
 10:00 Family Movie  
 Little Princess (TV-PG)  
 12:00 Headline News  
 12:30 Army Newswatch  
 1:00 NCAA Football (CBS) Teams TBD  
 4:00 Xena: Warrior Princess (TV-PG)  
 5:00 Computer Chronicles  
 5:30 Wall Street Journal Report  
 6:00 Headline News  
 6:30 ESPN News  
 7:00 America's Funniest Home  
 Videos (TV-G)  
 8:00 Primetime Movie  
 Class Action (TV-PG)  
 10:00 Headline News  
 10:30 Pensacola: Wings of Gold (TV-PG)  
 11:30 Austin City Limits

**Monday**

12:30 America's Black Forum  
 1:00 The NFL Today (CBS)  
 2:00 NFL (CBS)  
 5:00 NFL (CBS)  
 8:00 Headline News  
 8:30 Showbiz Today  
 9:00 Sesame Street  
 10:00 Big Bag  
 10:30 Kiana's Flex Appeal  
 11:00 The Oprah Winfrey Show (TV-14)  
 12:00 Headline News  
 12:30 Wheel of Fortune (TV-G)  
 1:00 Port Charles (TV-14)  
 1:25 Guiding Light (TV-14)  
 2:15 General Hospital (TV-14)  
 3:05 Disney's Jungle Cubs  
 3:30 Junanij (TV-Y7)  
 4:00 Journey of Allen Strange  
 4:30 All That (TV-Y)  
 5:00 Jeopardy! (TV-G)  
 5:30 Headline News  
 6:00 Pacific Report  
 6:33 CNN/SI  
 7:00 60 Minutes  
 8:00 The Drew Carey Show (TV-PG)  
 8:30 The King of Queens (TV-PG)  
 9:00 The Practice (TV-14)  
 10:00 Pacific Report  
 10:35 Tonight Show w/Leno  
 11:35 Late Show w/Letterman

**Tuesday**

0:35 ESPN News  
 1:05 Movies 'til Dawn  
 Glory (TV-PG)  
 3:20 Movies 'til Dawn  
 Deadly Pursuits  
 5:00 Headline News  
 5:30 ESPN News  
 6:00 Today Show  
 8:00 Headline News

8:30 Showbiz Today  
 9:00 Sesame Street  
 10:00 Teletubbies (TV-Y)  
 10:30 Co-Ed Training  
 11:00 The Oprah Winfrey Show (TV-14)  
 12:00 NBC Nightly News  
 12:30 Wheel of Fortune (TV-G)  
 1:00 Port Charles (TV-14)  
 1:25 Guiding Light (TV-14)  
 2:15 General Hospital (TV-14)  
 3:05 Space Goofs (TV-G)  
 3:30 Squigglevision  
 4:00 Nick News  
 4:30 Scholastic Sports America  
 5:00 Jeopardy! (TV-G)  
 5:30 Headline News  
 6:00 Pacific Report  
 6:33 CNN/SI  
 7:00 Seventh Heaven (TV-G)  
 8:00 NFL Monday Night Football  
 11:30 Pacific Report

**Wednesday**

12:05 Tonight Show w/Leno  
 1:05 Late Show w/Letterman  
 2:05 Unsolved Mysteries  
 3:00 Movies 'til Dawn  
 Darkman (TV-PG)  
 5:00 Headline News  
 5:30 ESPN News  
 6:00 Today Show  
 8:00 Headline News  
 8:30 Showbiz Today  
 9:00 Sesame Street  
 10:00 Blues Clues  
 10:30 Bodyshaping  
 11:00 The Oprah Winfrey Show  
 12:00 NBC Nightly News  
 12:30 Wheel of Fortune (TV-G)  
 1:00 Port Charles (TV-14)  
 1:25 Guiding Light (TV-14)  
 2:15 General Hospital (TV-14)  
 3:05 Taz-Mania  
 3:30 Gargoyles  
 4:00 Men in Black (TV-Y7)  
 4:30 Hang Time  
 5:00 Jeopardy! (TV-G)  
 5:30 Headline News  
 6:00 Pacific Report  
 6:33 CNN/SI  
 7:00 Sabrina, the Teenage Witch (TV-PG)  
 7:30 Boy Meets World (TV-PG)  
 8:00 Party of Five (TV-14)  
 9:00 Ally McBeal (TV-14)  
 10:00 Pacific Report  
 10:35 Tonight Show w/Leno  
 11:35 Late Show w/Letterman

**Thursday**

0:35 ESPN News  
 1:05 Movies 'til Dawn  
 Goodfellas (TV-PG)  
 3:55 Movies 'til Dawn  
 When Stunts Go Bad II  
 5:00 Headline News  
 5:30 ESPN News  
 6:00 Today Show

8:00 Headline News  
 8:30 Showbiz Today  
 9:00 Sesame Street  
 10:00 Teletubbies (TV-Y)  
 10:30 Co-Ed Training  
 11:00 The Oprah Winfrey Show (TV-14)  
 12:00 NBC Nightly News  
 12:30 Wheel of Fortune (TV-G)  
 1:00 Port Charles (TV-14)  
 1:25 Guiding Light (TV-14)  
 2:15 General Hospital (TV-14)  
 3:05 Animaniacs  
 3:30 Pokemon (TV-G)  
 4:00 Hercules: The Legendary  
 Journeys (TV-PG)  
 5:00 Jeopardy!  
 5:30 Headline News  
 6:00 Pacific Report  
 6:33 CNN/SI  
 7:00 Dharma and Greg (TV-14)  
 7:30 Jesse (TV-PG)  
 8:00 Just Shoot Me (TV-PG)  
 8:35 Will and Grace (TV-14)  
 9:00 NYPD Blues (TV-14)  
 10:00 Pacific Report  
 10:35 Tonight Show w/Leno  
 11:35 Late Show w/Letterman

**Friday**

12:35 ESPN News  
 1:05 Movies 'til Dawn  
 Sea of Love (TV-PG)  
 3:20 Movies 'til Dawn  
 House Party 3 (TV-PG)  
 5:00 Headline News  
 5:30 ESPN News  
 6:00 Today Show  
 8:00 Headline News  
 8:30 Showbiz Today  
 9:00 Sesame Street  
 10:00 Blues Clues  
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 11:00 The Oprah Winfrey Show  
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 TV schedules and sports  
 teams names at  
[www.iwakuni.usmc.mil](http://www.iwakuni.usmc.mil)

**Movies****Sakura Theater****For Love of the Game (PG-13)**

Rated PG-30 for brief strong language and some sexuality  
 Oct. 15, 7 p.m.; Oct. 16, 4 p.m.; Oct. 17, 3 p.m.; Oct. 19, 7 p.m.

This film takes a provocative look into the professional and personal passions of Billy Chapel, a legendary baseball pitcher nearing the end of his career who is forced to re-examine his priorities when confronted with unexpected circumstances: Not only is he about to be traded after 20 years with the same team, but the woman he has been with for several years, Jane Aubrey, is leaving him. In the midst of pitching a perfect game against the New York Yankees, Chapel, thinks back upon his long career and his tempestuous relationship with Jane. Aware that the stakes in his life have increased dramatically, the veteran ballplayer knows that he has some serious decisions to make.

**The Thomas Crown Affairs (R)**

Rated R for some sexuality and language  
 Oct. 14, 10 p.m.; Oct. 16, 7 p.m.; Oct. 18, 7 p.m.

Thomas Crown is a self-made billionaire who can buy anything he wants and is irresistible to women. But there are some things that money can't buy. Thomas

Crown has run out of challenges. When an alarm sounds at a world class museum and someone walks out with a priceless Monet, Crown is the last person the New York police suspect. But one person suspects him: Catherine Banning, the brilliant female investigator hired to retrieve the painting no matter what it takes.

**Blair Witch Project (R)**

Rated R for language  
 Oct. 16, 10 p.m.; Oct. 17, 7 p.m.; Oct. 20, 7 p.m.

Three film students set out into the Black Hills Forest to make a documentary on the legendary Blair Witch. Armed with a 16mm camera, a Hi8 video camera, and a DAT recorder, every step, word and sound is captured. After wandering around the Black Hills Forest, Heather, Josh, and Mike are cold, lost and hunted. Finally, one night after the last ray of light had left the forest black, they were never to be seen again. Despite thousands of hours searching the Black Hills area, neither of the filmmakers or any trace of their gear was found, and the search was called off.

**Iwakuni's Theaters****Kokusai:**

Oct. 15 - beginning of December  
 "Star Wars Episode I" - 11 a.m.,  
 1:30 p.m., 4 p.m., 6:30 p.m.,  
 (Sat. only) 9 p.m.

**New Central I:**

Oct. 15 - mid October  
 "Matrix" - 11:05 a.m., 1:35 p.m.,  
 4:05 p.m., 6:35 p.m.,  
 (Sat. only) 9:05 p.m.

**New Central II:**

Oct. 15 - mid October  
 "Notting Hill" - 10:55 p.m., 3:45 p.m.,  
 (Sat. only) 8:35 p.m.

"The Negotiator" - 1:10 p.m., 6 p.m.

**New Central III:**

Oct. 15 - end of October  
 "The Haunting" - 10:50 a.m.,  
 1 p.m., 3:35 p.m., 6:05 p.m.,  
 (Sat. only) 8:15 p.m.

## Local



### **Alcoholics Anonymous**

Alcoholics Anonymous open meetings are held Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7 p.m. and Wednesdays, 11:30 a.m. Closed meetings are held each Sunday, 7 p.m. A "for women only" open meeting is held the last Saturday of each month at 10 a.m. All meetings are held in Bldg. 497, second floor. For more information call 43-4814.

### **Medical Clinic Health Promotions Tobacco Cessation Courses**

Tobacco Cessation classes will be held today, Wednesday, Oct. 22, Nov. 10, 12, 17 and 19. Courses are held in the clinic conference room, 10-11 a.m. Participants must attend all four sessions. For more information call 253-3266.

### **Controlling Cholesterol Course**

A "Controlling Cholesterol Course" will be offered Oct. 29 and Nov. 18, 10-11 a.m. in the Branch Medical Clinic conference room. This class will help participants understand what cholesterol is, how to reduce it and the importance of good nutrition and regular exercise. For more information call 253-3266.

### **Navy Ball**

The Navy Ball will be held Oct. 22 at 6 p.m. at the Tomodachi Club. For tickets or more information call Chief Magallanes at 253-4407 or Chief Brewer at 253-4301.

### **Childbirth Education Program Five-week Series**

This class is offered to first time expectant parents during the third trimester who are interested in learning the basics about child birth. Many topics are discussed such as signs of labor, labor and delivery, breathing techniques, breast-feeding and infant care. The class meets once a week for five weeks from 6:30-8:30 p.m. For more information call Cmdr. Lisa Craft at 253-2714.

### **Refresher Class**

This class is offered to mothers who want to "freshen up" on the skills covered in the five-week series. This class is offered once a month and covers such issues as delivery at a Japanese facility, labor and delivery and breathing techniques. For more information call Cmdr. Lisa Craft at 253-2714.

### **American Red Cross**

American Red Cross is offering Community First Aid and Safety Training, Oct. 22, 6-10 p.m. and Oct. 23, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Participants will receive certification in Adult and Infant/Child CPR, as well as First Aid. There is a fee. Registration is required. For more information call 253-4525.

### **Consignment Sale Shop**

The Consignment Sales Shop, located on the second floor of Crossroads Mall, is open Mondays, Tuesdays and Saturdays, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. and Wednesdays, 4-7:30 p.m. The shop is part of the Enlisted Spouses Club and supports the community with donations and scholarships. Consignments and donations are accepted during operating hours or in the drop box after working hours. For more information call 253-4721.

### **Crime Prevention Month**

October is Crime Prevention Month. The following events are scheduled. **Child Fingerprinting:** Monday-Wednesday, Oct. 25 and 27, 9-11 a.m. at M.C. Perry Elementary School. **PMO K-9 Demo:** Wednesday and Thursday, at the CDC and today at the Youth Center. **Operation Child ID:** Saturday, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Marine Corps Exchange. For more information call 253-3287.

### **Adopt-A-School**

The Adopt-A-School program allows participating units, department and private organizations to offer their unique individual talents to classroom teachers and students and fosters active community involvement in M.C. Perry schools. For more information on the program or to sign up call David Naseer at 253-3428.

### **Marine Corps Community Services Eagles' Nest/End Zone**

The Eagles' Nest is temporarily operating out of the End Zone due to damage at its former location. Breakfast, limited lunch and dinner and late night menus are available. The Eagles' Nest telephone numbers and hours of operation remain the same. For more information call 253-4778.

### **Playgroup**

Parents and their children ages birth to 6 years old are invited to participate in Playgroup, which is held Tuesdays, 9:30-11 a.m. in Bldg. 589's community room and is free. For more information call Community Programs at 253-3737.

### **TAMP and TAP Seminar**

This four-day seminar, scheduled Oct. 26-29, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. in Bldg. 210, Rm. 226, combines the Department of Defense mandatory pre-separation briefing (TAMP) and the Department of Labor job search seminar (TAP). Military personnel regardless of rank, years of service, or type of discharge and their spouses are encouraged to attend no later than 90 days prior to discharge. For more information can to sign up call Career Resource Management Center at 253-6439.

### **Domestic Violence Awareness**

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. The following events are scheduled.

#### **\* Domestic Violence Walk-a-Thon**

Oct. 22, noon-4 p.m. on the sea wall behind the Main Gym. Prizes will be awarded, T-shirts will be given to the



first 100 registered participants. There is a fee, and all proceeds go to the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society.

#### \* Domestic Violence Contest

Children ages 3-12 may enter a drawing contest in support of Domestic Violence Awareness Month. The theme is "a Fun Activity with My Family". Contest winners will be selected in four age groups (3-4, 5-7, 8-10 and 11-12) Oct. 31. Submit drawings to the Counseling Center of the Community Services Bldg. 210, Rm. 204-A by Oct. 29. Gift certificates will be awarded.

#### Effective Communication Seminar

Community Programs will hold a lunchtime seminar on effective communication Tuesday, 11:45 a.m.-12:45 p.m. in Bldg. 210, Rm. 106. Bring your lunch. For more information call 253-3737.

#### Parent Training

New Parent Support Program's Daddy's Boot Camp and Mom's Basic Training third session will be held Tuesday, 6-7:30 p.m. in Bldg. 2210, Rm. 106. The class is free and open to everyone. To register call 253-6553.

#### Veterans Benefits Briefing

A Veterans' Benefits Briefing, scheduled Oct. 26, 9:30-11:30 a.m. in Bldg. 210, Rm. 226, explains the various benefits offered by the Department of Veterans Affairs. For details call the Career Resource Management Center at 253-6439.

#### CRMC Internet Job Search

The Internet is a free resource for gathering information on current job openings, housing costs, college enrollment, tuition opportunities and applications forms. For more information call 253-6439 or stop by Bldg. 210, Rm. 203.

#### Latinos Unitdos

Latinos Unitos is hosting an all-ranks Latin Dance at the Staff NCO Club, Oct. 16. A fee covers a small buffet. For more information call Cindi Childers at 253-2772 or Sgt. Pedro Neveraz at 253-6365.

#### Japanese and American Society

Japanese and American Society will host its 38th annual Speech Contest, Oct. 23. The contest is open to everyone and prizes will be awarded in various speech categories. The JAS will provide translation and pronunciation help to contestants. For more information call 253-4771, or stop by JAS office in Bldg. 210.

#### Navy Marine Corps Relief Society Interest-free Loans

The Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society provides interest-free loans or grants for Navy and Marine Corps members and their families to meet their immediate needs. For more information call 253-5311. The office is open Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Appointments are requested and walk-ins are welcome.

#### Volunteer Services

The NMCRS needs your volunteer services. The Iwakuni office, located in Bldg. 210, is open Monday

### Chapel's Weekly Services

#### Saturday

5:30 p.m. Catholic Mass (Chapel Annex)

#### Sunday

8:15 a.m. Liturgical Worship Service (Chapel Annex)  
9 a.m. Catholic Mass (M.C. Perry Elementary School Gym)  
10 a.m. Church of Christ Lay Leader Service  
(Chapel Annex, Rm. 103)  
10:15 a.m. C.C.D. (Chapel Annex)  
Gospel Sunday School  
(M.C. Perry Elementary School, Rm. 423B)  
10:30 a.m. Protestant Divine Worship Service  
(M.C. Perry Elementary School Gym)  
12 p.m. Gospel Divine Worship Service  
(M.C. Perry Elementary School Gym)  
2 p.m. Latter Day Saint (Chapel Annex)

Call 253-5218 for more information.

For information on Jewish Services call Mark Zeid at 082-231-4008 after 6 p.m. or call the Station Chapel.

through Friday from 10 a.m. -2 p.m. The society has openings for volunteers to work as interviewers, budget counselors, receptionists, publicists and blanket crocheters for layette packages. Childcare fees are reimbursed for volunteers. For more information call 253-5311. Both active duty and spouses are welcome.

### Education



#### Test Schedule

Every Tuesday/Friday

- College Level Examination Program
- DANTES Subject Standardized Test
- Oct. 18 - Electronics Data Processing Test
- Oct. 20 - Defense Language Aptitude Battery
- Defense Language Proficiency Test

Oct. 22 - Armed Forces Classification Test

For more information call 253-3855.

#### Troy State University

Troy State University will conduct its Term II registration for master of science in management degree program runs through Oct. 22. Term II schedule includes HRM 6622 (human resources staffing) and HRM 6674 (ethics in business). Courses will be offered in the evening or weekends and are taught by doctoral-level faculty. For more information call 253-6051.

#### Central Texas College

Central Texas College will conduct its Term II registration through Oct. 22. Term II schedule includes math, law classes and microcomputers. For more information call 253-3484.

## 1999 International and Military Mail Christmas Dates

To ensure delivery of Christmas cards and packages to military APO/FPO addresses overseas and to international addresses, the Postal Service suggests mail be entered by the mailing dates listed below.

Military Mail to	<u>First class</u>	<u>Priority</u>	<u>PAL</u>	<u>Sam</u>	<u>Standard Mail</u>
APO/FPO AE Zips 090-098					
	Dec. 10	Dec. 10	Dec. 3	Nov. 27	Nov. 6
APO/FPO AA Zips 340					
	Dec. 10	Dec. 10	Dec. 3	Nov. 27	Nov. 6
APO/FPO AP Zips 962-966					
	Dec. 10	Dec. 10	Dec. 3	Nov. 27	Nov. 6

International Mail to	<u>Letters and Cards</u>	<u>Air Parcel Post</u>	<u>Surface</u>
Africa	Dec. 2	Dec. 2	Oct. 25
Asia/Pacific Rim	Dec. 9	Dec. 9	Nov. 5
Australia/New Zealand	Dec. 9	Dec. 9	Nov. 5
Canada/Mexico	Dec. 13	Dec. 13	Nov. 26
Caribbean	Dec. 9	Dec. 9	Nov. 12
Central and S. America	Dec. 2	Dec. 2	Nov. 5
Europe	Dec. 9	Dec. 9	Nov. 12
Middle East	Dec. 9	Dec. 9	Oct. 29

